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FINAL VOTE ON NAVAL BILL

Much-Debated Measure Carried in Commons by One Hundred Votes to Sixty

WHAT WILL SENATE DO?

Opposition Members Believe Upper House Will Reject Measure—Government May Undertake Reform of Senate if Bill is Killed There.

Ottawa, May 12:—The naval bill has passed the committee stage and is now ready for the third reading and the final vote in the commons. Before the week ends the bill will be passed and sent to the senate. Liberals think the majority in the upper house is prepared to throw out the bill. It is well known, however, that many of the Liberal senators are opposed to such a course, and many believe the senate will accept the measure. If the bill is rejected, the government will probably start a vigorous campaign for senate reform.

Ottawa, May 16:—The naval bill was adopted by the house of commons, on a division, at midnight, one hundred votes being counted for the government and sixty for the opposition. Eight Nationalist members voted with the Liberals. The six months' hoist was moved by Sir Wilfrid Laurier and defeated by 103 to 70.

The bill was quietly debated all day, all proposed amendments being defeated. Brilliant speeches were made by the premier, and Martin Burrell. The Conservatives sang "Rule Britannia" when the house rose this morning.

Hoops-Kelly

In Prince Rupert, on Sunday last, Miss Teresa Kelly, a popular young lady who has been engaged in hospital work, was united in marriage to Ernest M. Hoops, of Aldermere. The marriage took place in the Roman Catholic church, Rev. Father Bunoz officiating and Misses Barbeau and Moore attending the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Hoops are spending their honeymoon at the bride's former home in Portland and are expected to return to Aldermere in a few weeks. Needless to say, the popular young couple will be the recipients of many congratulations. Mr. Hoops is a member of the well-known real estate firm of Thorp & Hoops.

Overtures to Germany

London, May 15:—Lord Morley is to visit Berlin. It is believed his mission is in connection with the Balkan settlement and the arrangement of an Anglo-German understanding. Delegates from the former warring countries are in conference here, and terms of peace are being discussed.

Wasteful Slaughter By Indian Hunters

Coming out from the Groundhog, Amos Godfrey and W. J. Sweeney passed the camp of an Indian who had killed eleven moose. The Siwash had his klutchman and a child with him but it was evident that they had no intention of using the meat of more than one moose. The animals had simply been killed for their hides, which, after dressing, bring about seven dollars each. At this season, when the moose are yarded in the willows, they are easily slaughtered, and Indians are reported to have killed a considerable number in the Groundhog district.

George Beirnes, on a trip to the coalfield, employed an Indian, who left him to follow a moose, which he killed on a mountain from which it was impossible to recover the meat, even had it been needed. George discharged the native, leaving him to eat the moose.

These instances are not exceptional. At Francois Lake, a couple of years ago, one Indian killed twenty-two deer on the spring crust. The animals, which were in very poor condition, were left to rot, according to witnesses.

BENEDICTS ARE SUCCESSFUL HOSTS

That the dance given by the Benedicts on Wednesday evening was a big success was the enthusiastic verdict of the large crowd which attended as guests of the married men. Sparing neither effort nor expense, the committee had converted the big assembly hall into a most attractive ballroom, the lavish and effective decorations making an appropriate background for the scene, while the music, furnished by Gray's Prince Rupert orchestra, was a real delight to the dancers. A long program of popular numbers was concluded at three a. m., practically everybody remaining until the final dance.

The ladies responsible for the refreshments had converted the dining room into a bower of beauty, in which a supper of surpassing excellence was served.

Many visitors were in attendance, several being from Prince Rupert and other comparatively distant points, and all joined in congratulating the Benedicts on the success of their hospitable efforts. The ladies and gentlemen in charge of the dance were:

Patronesses: Mesdames E. H. Hicks Beach, G. H. Graham, J. W. Austin, W. J. Lynch, Ernest Gammon, and G. O. Graham.

Committee: Messrs. E. H. Hicks Beach, R. J. Rock, J. W. Austin, G. O. Graham, H. H. McVittie, G. H. Graham, and Ernest Gammon.

L. W. W. Strike Fails

Grand Forks, May 15:—The strike on the Kettle Valley line, inaugurated by the I. W. W., is ended, the men having returned to work.

Local and District News Notes

Free Miners' certificates expire May 31st.

Walter Noel is rapidly recovering his usual health at the hospital.

George A. Kerr, of Kitselas, came up the river on Saturday's train.

John McPherson came over the trail from Tatla lake on Tuesday.

W. S. Henry, of Telkwa, returned on Wednesday from a trip to the coast.

J. C. K. Sealy is spending a few days at his ranch in the Bulkley Valley.

J. H. Hetherington came up from Prince Rupert to attend the Benedicts' dance.

Robert Kelly and G. S. Heyward, of Vancouver, were in Hazelton on Monday.

George T. Stewart, who registers from Fraser Lake, was in town during the week.

George M. Beirnes returned on Wednesday from a successful business visit to Vancouver.

W. A. Willisroft went to Telkwa on Thursday, to superintend road operations in his district.

Jack Halley, the Hudson Bay mountain mining man, came in on Sunday to spend a few days here.

The board of trade is preparing an exhibit of ores for display in the rooms of the Vancouver Progress Club.

The fire brigade was called out on Tuesday evening for a chimney fire at the residence of W. W. Wrathall. No damage was done.

W. H. Wark, of Prince Rupert, is spending a few days in the district, on business. He attended the dance on Wednesday evening.

A. C. Aldous, W. J. O'Neill, and P. B. Carr left yesterday for a visit to the Valley towns and an inspection of the Smithers townsite.

Angus A. McDonald has purchased in Calgary a carload of saddlehorses and pack animals, which he will bring to Hazelton next week.

J. F. Adams, of Telkwa, returned from Vancouver on Saturday and spent a few days in Hazelton before going on to the Valley town.

R. C. Sinclair was taken suddenly ill while playing baseball on Thursday evening. He was taken to the hospital, but was out again last evening.

Some of Hazelton's trout-fishing enthusiasts have formed an anglers' club. They will establish a camp at Robinson lake, for week-end fishing parties. A boat was sent out to the lake yesterday for use of the members.

Dr. Maclean, who has made an enviable reputation as assistant superintendent at Hazelton Hospital, has resigned from the staff, and will practice in one of the coast cities. He left on Sunday for Vancouver. Dr. Stone succeeds to the position.

Provincial Constable Fee is on his way east, for a vacation trip.

Mining Recorder Kirby is spending his vacation at Blaine, Wash.

Fire Ranger W. H. Larmer has resigned his position, to take a place on W. J. Larkworthy's staff.

Frank A. Jackson is on his way out from Groundhog Basin, accompanied by Mrs. Jackson and Miss Carter.

Many fine horses, of all classes, are being brought to Hazelton, every freight train carrying a number for various residents of the district.

A tall flag pole will be erected in front of the government office. The new standard size ensign will be hoisted for the first time on Empire Day.

A. Borland, of Vancouver, is now assistant to Manager Reid of the Bank of Vancouver, succeeding A. Moncur, who has taken a position in the Galena Club.

H. G. Smith, the Bulkley Valley contractor, came in yesterday. He is on his way to Vancouver, to purchase horses and a logging outfit for the Seymour Lake Lumber Co., of Smithers.

The freighting and transfer business of A. M. Ruddy will hereafter be conducted by Ruddy & McKay, James McKay having purchased an interest in the business. "Andy" Ruddy is now in Vancouver, purchasing additional horses and equipment to enable the firm to cope with the increasing business.

On Thursday next H. H. Little, manager of the Union Bank, will leave for Toronto, in company with Rev. D. R. McLean and Mrs. McLean, to attend the general assembly of the Presbyterian Church. During Mr. Little's absence E. B. Tatchell, manager of the New Hazelton branch, will have charge of the local office as well.

As chief accountant for R. Cunningham & Son, J. L. Christie has become well known and popular throughout the district. He is now leaving the pioneer firm to take a similar position with Broughton & McNeil, at Aldermere. He came up from Port Essington on Wednesday, accompanied by Alexander McAra, an experienced grocery man, who will also join the Broughton & McNeil staff. They left for the Valley town on Thursday.

Alex. S. and Andy Millar, who have been for several years identified with the development of Hudson Bay mountain mining properties, arrived on Wednesday from Ketchikan, to resume work on the Cascade group, on east side of the mountain, and the Groundhog group, on the west side. They have every confidence in the future of Hudson Bay mountain and the district generally, and intend to undertake development on an extensive scale as soon as transportation makes economical working possible.

Are Ready for Baseball Season

Plans for the baseball season were discussed at a meeting of Hazelton Athletic Association on Monday night. G. R. Middleton was elected secretary of the association, and J. M. McCormick was chosen manager of the ball team. The manager was given authority to order new uniforms and equipment. Efforts to arrange games with the New Hazelton team have not yet been successful, but there is no doubt a series will begin as soon as the rival team completes its organization and has its new grounds in condition.

The Tigers will present a natty appearance in their new uniforms of maroon and white. A majority of last year's players will line up again this season, with the addition of several new and promising men. The ground will be in better condition than ever before, the association having undertaken extensive improvements.

Destructive Cyclone

Chicago, May 15:—A cyclone killed ten persons in a suburb of Omaha. More are believed to have lost their lives in nearby towns. Wires are down.

DEVELOPMENT IN GROUNDHOG FIELD

Amos Godfrey, field manager for the B. C. Anthracite Coal Ltd., arrived on Tuesday from the Groundhog coalfield, accompanied by W. J. Sweeney. They report heavy snows in the vicinity of Groundhog mountain. A good number of men are working on various coal properties and prospects for a busy summer are good. Lack of mail facilities has proved a handicap during the winter.

Mr. Godfrey, who left for headquarters at Vancouver on Thursday, informed The Miner that the winter's development work on the B. C. A. coal measures had shown excellent results. Most of the work was done on Trail creek, number three tunnel being driven nearly 700 feet and number four tunnel 130 feet. One of the tunnels on No. five is in 300 feet and is now in an area of glaciation, only the lower part of the seam being left. The same condition obtained in number one tunnel, but at 65 feet from the surface the tunnel is passing into the solid formation again.

As soon as pack trains can be taken in Mr. Godfrey will return to direct operations on Telfer creek, where most of the season's work will be done. Work will be first resumed on number 1A tunnel. The Telfer creek showings are expected to prove even better than those on Trail creek.

Nanaimo Mines Closed

Nanaimo, May 15:—The coal strike has become serious. The mines are closed down. The result of the conference between the strikers and the mine-owners is anxiously awaited.

CANADA HAS BIG SURPLUS

Figures in Budget Show Remarkable Increase in Prosperity of Dominion

WILL REDUCE TARIFFS

Besides Paying Off Part of National Debt, Borden Administration is Enabled to Lower Duties on Some Commodities—Great Federal Revenue

Ottawa, May 13:—The estimates for the fiscal year 1912-13 show a revenue of \$168,000,000, an increase over last year of \$32,000,000. Ordinary expenditure will be \$113,000,000, an increase over last year of \$15,000,000. This will leave a surplus for the year of \$55,000,000. Of this \$23,000,000 will be applied to the reduction of the national debt.

The finance minister announced several reductions in the tariff; but stated that general tariff revision was not called for.

Ottawa, May 15:—The supplementary estimates, which will be brought down in a few days, will include a grant to the family of Captain Scott.

Typesetting machinery will be placed on the free list.

Ottawa, May 12:—The budget was presented today by Hon. W. T. White, who in his speech extended congratulations to the country on account of the continuance of the prosperous conditions that previously prevailed.

In order to make the situation clear, it would be necessary to review the two fiscal years 1910-11 and 1911-12. On the whole the estimating made last year of the probable revenue for the fiscal year, which ended March 31, was well borne out. The total revenue exceeded \$136,000,000, or a little more than \$100,000 more than estimated. This was an increase of over \$18,000,000 as compared with the previous year. It represented 16 1/2 per cent. of the total revenue for the year.

The increase was pretty evenly divided over several months. The customs revenue for the last fiscal year was \$85,000,000 as compared with \$71,000,000 the previous year. Excise \$19,000,000, as against \$16,000,000. Post office \$10,000,000, as against \$9,000,000. Railways \$11,000,000, as compared with \$10,000,000. Miscellaneous \$10,000,000, an increase of \$590,000, as compared with 1910-11.

To sum up, the total revenue was \$136,108,217, as compared with \$117,780,409, a total increase of \$18,327,807. Of the increase 62.8 per cent. was due to the customs and 14 per cent. to excise. The average rate of duty collected on all goods was 16.69 per cent. and all dutiable goods 25.9. The increase in the post office revenue, which amounted exactly to \$1,345,441, was a fair indication of the general increase (Continued on Page Six)

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The government of British Columbia rightly regards the big game of the province as one of its important assets, and while some of the enactments for the protection of wild animals are open to criticism, none will deny that the administration desires to preserve the game resources of the country. It is with confidence, therefore, that we call the attention of our legislators to the gross abuse by Indians of the privilege of killing game for food. In our news columns this week appear particulars of the wasteful killing of moose and deer by the natives. The rapid disappearance of the big game is largely due to the insensate actions of the Indians, who kill twenty times the amount of big game that falls to the guns of white hunters. The slaughter of moose for their hides alone can no longer be tolerated. Examples must be made of natives or others who wantonly or wastefully kill game animals, and all who have the preservation of our wild game at heart will join in the demand for legislation which will effectually check such indiscriminate slaughter as now occurs.

Destiny of B. C.

This province of British Columbia is not like the provinces of the east. It is not of the Canada most Canadians know. This is no Ontario, with its complacent opinion of itself; nor Quebec with its tarnished battlements, says a writer in the Toronto Globe. There is no city here like St. John or Halifax, nor peaceful landscape like that of Prince Edward Island, the Dreamer in the gulf. Nor is it Western as Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta are Western. This is a country like to no other country, a province distinguished among the distinguished. It has traditions of its own and a destiny of its own, within the Federation. It has its own heroes as great as any La Salle, Champlain or Frontenac.

Its history does not begin so much with Columbus and Cabot as with gaunt Siberian adventurers, storm driven upon this coast while in pursuit of the sea otter; with arrogant Spanish commanders sailing gallantly northward from the Spanish Main; with red cheeked British navigators and lean Yankee skipper feeling out its coast line through fogs and snowstorms, and with the grim Mackenzie crawling laboriously over the mountains from the plains to find more fur for the Great Company.

Our Family Compact troubles did not greatly concern British Columbia. Our Eastern Canadian pioneering, our constitutional struggles, and our little affair of 1812 did not much interest that province. It has a history of its own. It stands alone, as it stood when the other provinces entered Confederation.

And it has a destiny of its own. This province will not follow but will lead. It faces west, the others face east. They face the motherland and the rising sun; This country faces strange peoples, possible enemies, and the setting sun. It may be that some of the other provinces in this Confederation may yet turn and face the sunset over the shoulder of this greater province. But that is in the future, together with all the possibilities of this land.

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A more economical and comfortable working of deep mines is claimed by Dietz, a German engineer, from the use of an improved method of cooling the air by means of the expansion of dried compressed air. The temperature, as is well known, increases with depth, and in many German mines, with the heat considerably above 80 degrees F., the miners are not able to work more than six hours at a shift. The expense of operation is thus greatly increased, while the yield is diminished.

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Local and Personal

E. C. Stephenson returned on Saturday from Vancouver, where he purchased a large quantity of building supplies.

District Engineer E. G. Baxter came up from Rupert on Saturday and spent the week looking over the government roads in this district.

A letter mailed in New Hazelton on April 21 and postmarked April 23 was received at the Hazelton office on May 9, taking eighteen days to come five miles.

R. S. Heddle brought some nice horses from Vancouver, including a driving team and saddle horse for himself and drivers for J. Mason Adams and A. E. Fawcett.

Superintendent Willisroft, of the southern road division, will have considerable road work done this season in the Francois and Ootsa lake district. W. R. Ellison, the Ootsa lake foreman, came in on Sunday and will return in a day or two, with instructions covering many improvements to the road system in the lake district.

LIQUOR LICENCE ACT (SECTION 43)

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 12th day of May next, application will be made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for the transfer of the licence for the sale of liquor by retail in and upon the premises known as the Hazelton Hotel, situate at Hazelton, British Columbia, from Edward Courtenay Stephenson to Royston Gordon Moseley, of Hazelton, British Columbia. Dated this 12th day of April, 1913.

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The World's Doings in Brief

News Notes from Many Sources

Sir Charles Tupper arrived in London on Saturday, in robust health.

President Aguste, of Haiti, is dead from poison administered in his food.

A considerable deposit of diamonds is said to have been discovered in the Congo Free State.

American officials have seized in Arizona a war aeroplane intended for use in the Mexican insurrection.

The C. N. R. is to have a fleet of steamers on the Pacific as soon as the transcontinental line is linked up.

Anti-cigarette legislation is to be introduced in the Dominion parliament, according to a report from Montreal.

Twenty thousand coal miners in South Wales went on a strike last week as a protest against the employment of non-union men.

Owing to lack of funds, the southern political party in China will not inaugurate a civil war, but will endeavor to carry its point in parliament.

Five men out of a crew of eleven were burned in the steamer Ophir, which was completely destroyed by fire while anchored in Canoe pass, near Ladner.

The longest telephone suspension cable in the world will be stretched from Point Grey to Newcastle Island. The span will be 1000 feet and the cost of installation is estimated \$100,000.

A mysterious malady, believed to be diphtheria, has appeared at Nulato, a trading post on the lower Yukon. Many natives are exposed to the disease, which has already caused the death of a number of the natives.

The president of the provisional government of Albania is looking for a king, and a London newspaper suggests that Theodore Roosevelt with his "big stick" might be considered a strong candidate for the honor.

Scotland Yard estimates that militant suffragettes are causing damage to the amount of \$25,000,000 a year. All public buildings have been placed under special guard. Each cabinet member is guarded by three detectives.

It is now said that the return of the Duke of Connaught to Canada, as governor-general, is doubtful. London reports say His Royal Highness will be succeeded by Hon. Lewis Harcourt, political secretary of state for the colonies.

The fifteenth general meeting of the western branch of the Canadian Mining Institute will open at Rossland next Thursday. A number of topics having reference to the mining industry will be discussed, including that of accidents in metal mines.

It is proposed by the delegates to the conference which is arranging for the Anglo-American peace centenary celebration, that memorial arches be erected at the points where the proposed international highways cross the Canadian-American boundary.

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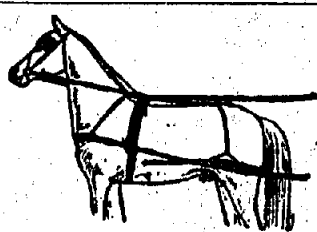
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HAZELTON WINS FOOTBALL GAME

On Saturday evening a closely-contested football match was played on the athletic grounds between the New Hazelton team and the local eleven. The Hazelton men, captained by F. B. Chettleburgh, showed considerable superiority in team play and defence, and although the visitors made a game fight and many good individual plays, the local team finished the game with the big end of a four to one score. A good crowd witnessed the game and was highly pleased with the play.

Methodist Pulpit Transfers

Vancouver, May 16:—The provincial Methodist conference elected Rev. Lashley Hall president, in succession to Rev. George Raley, who goes to Port Simpson. Other northern appointments are: Prince Rupert, Rev. J. F. Bimmick; Copper River, Rev. Y. C. M. Heatley; Hazelton, to be supplied; Bulkley Valley, Rev. C. E. Batzold. A petition from the W. C. T. U., read at the conference, urged that women should have votes, in order to advance the cause of temperance. No action was taken.

Riflemen Elect Officers

At the general meeting of Hazelton Rifle Association on Thursday evening satisfactory reports regarding finances and equipment were presented. The outlook for the season is very promising, many new members having already joined the organization. A reduction of the annual subscription to three dollars was made, no expenditure for repairs being required. Challenge badges will again be put up for weekly competition. Officers were elected as follows, Captain, A. R. Macdonald; Vice-Captain, H. H. Little; Secretary-Treasurer, H. E. Holliday; Committee, Charles Reid, W. W. Wrathall, J. W. Campbell.

Habitants Come West

Boston, May 15:—French-Canadians in large numbers are leaving the New England states to locate in western Canada.

Railway Official Dead

Montreal, May 15:—W. E. Davis, passenger traffic manager of the G. T. P., died suddenly today.

Millions of Salmon Fry

Babine hatchery has had a very successful season, according to H. L. Gibbs, the superintendent, who came over the trail on Wednesday, accompanied by J. M. Morrison and J. C. Nation, two of his staff. Nearly all the salmon required were obtained in the creek of the hatchery last fall, instead of having to be brought from Babine river. The hatch was 9,180,000 sockeye fry, which were all liberated between April 25 and May 10. Mr. Gibbs has gone to the coast, to return about August 6, when operations will be resumed.

G. T. P. Eastern Service

Montreal, May 14:—Vice-President Dalrymple today announced that on June 7 through lake and rail traffic between Montreal and Edmonton will open on the G.T.P. Passengers will be carried by way of Sarnia, freight going via Midland. A daily service will be maintained from the date named.

Murderer Will Hang

Nanaimo, May 14:—Convicted of the murder of Provincial Constable Westway, at Union Bay on March 4, Henry Wagner was today sentenced by Justice Morrison to be hanged on August 28. Wagner, who was also known as Ferguson and "The Flying Dutchman," was a companion of William Adams, a criminal for whom the officer was searching when the killing occurred. The condemned man is a desperate criminal, who has served many terms in American prisons for smuggling and other offenses.

Anticipating Last Spike

Montreal, May 14:—Officials of the Grand Trunk Pacific say the last spike in the great transcontinental line will be driven in October of next year, at a point 375 miles east of Prince Rupert. The entire line will be open for traffic early in 1915. The company will build a number of fine hotels in the Rockies, the most important being erected opposite Mount Robson.

Fare and Third for Holiday

For the benefit of holiday makers, the G. T. P. has made a special round trip rate of fare and a third for May 24. Tickets will be on sale May 22 to 24, inclusive; good for return until May 27.

A pit for the burning of refuse has been dug on the reserve, and citizens will be required to dump all rubbish there.

Mosquito Tents at Sargent's.

CANADA HAS BIG SURPLUS

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in the business of the country. Turning to the expenditure account the minister said that the ordinary expenditure for the year had amounted to \$98,000,000, an increase of \$10,000,000 as compared with the previous fiscal year. The expenditure, the minister pointed out, was very slightly more than doubled in twelve years. By deducting the ordinary expenditure from the revenue it was found that the surplus amounted to exactly \$37,946,776. Mr. White remarked that as the day for heavy construction on the G. T. P. is about over the annual outlay under that head will steadily continue to decline.

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